

REMARKS

Claims 1-6, 11, 13-15, and 19-20 are pending.

Claim 1 is amended. Support for the amendment to Claim 1 is found in the present Specification on page 19, line 8.

No new matter is believed to be added upon entry of the amendment.

The rejection of Claims 1-6, 11, 13-15, and 19-20 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the written description requirement, is believed to be obviated by amendment.

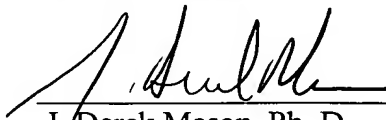
Applicants have amended Claim 1 so that the resin layer comprises carbon particles thoroughly dispersed therein.

Applicants kindly request that the Examiner withdraw this rejection.

In view of the amendments to the claims, Applicants believe that the present application is now in a condition for allowance. An early and favorable indication of the same is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

OBLON, SPIVAK, McCLELLAND,  
MAIER & NEUSTADT, P.C.  
Norman F. Oblon



---

J. Derek Mason, Ph. D.  
Registration No. 35,270

Customer Number  
**22850**

Tel: (703) 413-3000  
Fax: (703) 413 -2220  
(OSMMN 06/04)